

REPORTED INCIDENCE OF GONORRHEA

Objective

By 1990, reported gonorrhea incidence should be reduced to a rate of 280 cases per 100,000 population.

Explanatory Notes

Includes all sites.

Findings

The North Carolina gonorrhea case rate has been consistently and substantially higher than the nation's, being 75 percent higher in 1985. Following a high rate in 1982, however, the state rate has declined, and based on that trend, is projected to decline over the next four years. The target rate of 280 will not be met, however. Meanwhile, the U.S. is expected to meet the objective (3). It is possible that reporting completeness could account for some of the difference between state and national rates.

Data Sources

North Carolina: State Center for Health Statistics
United States: Centers for Disease Control